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Letter To The Editor

June 2, 1975

Dear Mr. Vaughan,

I would like to take this opportunity to express publicly my sincere appreciation for all of those volunteer helpers that worked so hard to make our local Bloodmobile Program the success that it always is.

I would like to express publicly my deep appreciation for the Ladies of the Junior Women's Club, who contribute so very, very much in the way of volunteer help for the Appomattox Blood Program. Also we would like to express our appreciation to the ladies of the various churches in the community who come and provide a canteen.

Space would not permit me to express a personal THANKS to everyone that has had a part in making the Blood Program a success but for those that have had a part I would like to express my deep appreciation to each of them and to Thomasville Industries, who sponsored the Bloodmobile this time, and to the **Times-Virginian** for their excellent coverage and publicity of the Blood Program and also we would like to express our appreciation to the management of W.T.T.X. and anyone else that might have had a part in helping to make the Blood Program a success this time.

Thank you once again for your complete coverage.

Sincerely yours,
Rev. Earnie W. Lucas, Chrm.
Appomattox Bloodmobile Program

Pamplin, Va.
May 25, 1975

Dear Editor:

It seems like that people on every side are grabbing for power in order that they might have authority. Well, we need people in authority provided they don't abuse or misuse it, but I feel like that this nation is suffering very badly by the abuse and misuse of authority in high places. Our schools are badly disrupted by the use of authority. I wonder if those that will go to most any length to get ever stop to think that responsibity goes along with it. There are many homes today that lies wrecked and ruined because someone tried to use too much authority. It seems to me as if the parents furnish the children and pay the taxes they certainly should have a leading voice in the running of the schools. But it seems as if their desires are never considered.

It seems for the last few years that a man feels that to get elected is all he needs that the voters has handed him a signed blank check and he can go out and spend the taxpayers' money like it was branch water and give no account to anyone.

I have the awful feeling that we are nearing the point that Israel was at when the new king was taking over. The people had carried a heavy burden in building that great temple but they did have the temple to show for years to come, but we after spending billions, and leaving millions broken hearted we just have the lonely graves of our war dead to show for it.

I have some mixed feeling about the evacuation of all of those people and bringing them over here when we already have an overloaded welfare program. Far be it from me to sit in judgement on those people, but if the time has come that must reap what they have sowed. Nothing will stop it. It is just unbelieving what man has discovered, but there is one thing that he never has nor never will and that is to put up a road block that will stop God's judgement once it is passed. Once God's judgement falls on either people or nations it is to late to repent.

In establishing the nation of Israel it was decreed that a bastard was not to be taken into the congregation of the Lord and today in our nation's capitol we are very near the point whee every sixth baby is born to unwed mothers of America.

Oh, if some weay I could stir up the preachers of this land

The Pastor Speaks

"Lord, What Wilt Thou Have Me To Do?"

The dramatic conversion of the apostle Paul is found in Acts 9:1-13. He was probably the most influential man of his day after he was gloriously saved. Praise the Lord for full salvation because once I was blinded like Paul, but now I can see. We need to ask the Lord the question Paul asked, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?" In answering this question we should search our hearts with a willing and earnest determination to do what God would have us to do. You may say, I can't do anything, but my friend, we can all do something for Jesus. Let's check our hearts to see what we should do about -

1. **Faithfulness** - God honors a faithful person-one that not only comes to church on Sunday morning but also on Sunday night and Wednesday night. It takes effort for some to come to church in the evenings but, my friend, when you don't go you are saying to your neighbor that there is something more important than going to the Lord's house of worship at the appointed time. Also, the Lord honors faithfulness in a consistent life of reading the Bible and praying. There should never a day pass that we don't talk to our Father in Heaven and read His precious word.

2. **Tithing** - We need to give back a portion what is rightly God's to begin with if we want God to bless our lives in serving Him. Neighbor, you cannot outgive God! If you hold back on God's money, he'll hold back blessing your life in many cases. Be a faithful tither and God will bless your heart for obeying His word.

3. **Witnessing** - The last thing Jesus told His disciples before He went to Heaven was to go out and preach the Word to all nations. In many instances in the Bible, we are commanded to be a witness for Jesus. Oh, we all need to get a deep burning desire in our hearts to see our friends and loved ones saved. Along with the desire we need to have the burden for souls - asking God daily to save the lost. God honors winning to Jesus. At our church, we have a "Soul Winners' Hall of Fame." This is to recognize and honor all the people who go out and win people to Christ for this is certainly the greatest joy a Christian can know and have. Today, why not talk to someone about their soul?

4. **Talents** - When we have any natural talent, God expects us to use it for His glory for it certainly came from Him. In our hearts we should be willing to yield ourselves to do anything we can for Jesus.

Yes, we need to search our hearts for things the Lord would have us to do, but friend, if you have not been saved, you need to ask Christ to save you; then, to use you for His glory. Why not accept the wonderful Saviour today and know that if anything should happen to you, you'd be on your way to Heaven. You may say I am saved but it has been so long since I have really walked close to the Lord. Why don't you get right with God and rededicate your life and all to walk as close to Him as you can. The Lord will bless you.

Why not, right now, like Paul, ask the Lord, "Lord what wilt thou have me to do?"

Pastor Ben Nicks,
Appomattox Baptist Temple
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The Sunday School Lesson

Comments by Herbert C. Bradshaw

LESSON FOR JUNE 8, 1956

Comment on the International Sunday School lesson for Sunday, June 8, 1975
Topic: The Nature of the Bible
Scripture: Deuteronomy 6:1-9; Luke 1:1-4; 2 Timothy 3:10-17; 2 Peter 1:16-21

No prophecy ever came by the impulse of man, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God. 2 Peter 1:21

In one of his inspiring chapel talks, on "Why the Bible?" Dr. W.H.P. Faunce, a longtime president of Brown University, told his student audience that "we therefore keep the Bible in the center, because it deals not with information, of which the world often grows tired, but with truth, in which the world is still poor." He continued, "The Bible is not a dictionary of conduct, but a revelation of motives. It has nothing to say about our passing, superficial problems, but all about our ideals, our inner life, our deepest selves, our realization of God."

This summary of the nature of the Bible shows why it is the outstanding example of what Thomas DeQuincey called "the literature of power," which he contrasted with "the literature of knowledge." The question then naturally arises why this book, the most recent portion of which was written almost 2,000 years ago, can deal so significantly with truth and can exert a power which moves people to action and changes lives.

The answer lies in how the Bible came to be. God spoke to His servants, who wrote the revelation God had given them. Thus Moses could speak to and record for the people of Israel the law as God had given it to him for their benefit. Thus the prophets and apostles could speak and record the messages and insights God had given them. Thus those who wrote accounts of the earthly life of Jesus Christ, God's revelation of Himself in His Son, could, as Luke put it, "write an orderly account . . . that you may know the truth . . ."

Much that we would like to know about the world in which the Bible was written we do not learn from its books. In the economy of God, the books which His Holy Spirit inspired His servants to write are concerned with the basic and fundamental concerns of mankind and the most important matters with which the individual has to deal, his relationship to his God and to his fellows. The Bible probes the human emotions even as it goes to the heart of living and of life. It does this authoritatively, because it records the word of God, who understands perfectly the human being He created. God understands human needs for better than any individual understands his own needs. In His love and grace and mercy He reveals Himself and His will to mankind, and the record of that revelation is found in the Bible.

Not only do we find in the Bible the record of God's revelation of Himself in His saving acts of deliverance and in the guidance He gives for living but we also find man's response. The human response to the divine revelation has been and continues to be both negative and affirmative. The Bible shows the blessing and benefit which attend the affirmative response, the despair and destruction which a negative response produces.

The Bible is man's surest guide to the development of his full potential. Unsparingly frank, it teaches the profound truth that we are not born for ourselves alone, but only as we love ourselves in commitment to God and service to our fellow men can we reach our fullest potential. The Bible gives meaning to life, for as it teaches the dignity of the individual it impresses upon the reader that concept that God has purpose for every life. There is no greater indication of human worth than this, that God has purpose for each man and woman and can use each in His service.

The Bible is one of God's greatest gifts to humanity. It gives man insight into the mind and heart of God, although he can comprehend neither in their fullness. The Bible reveals that the realities and verities so essential to the abundant life are not necessarily what man thinks them or would like them to be. It shows man how to live outside and beyond h[illegible] how to find his [illegible] which is with God.

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[illegible] 28, 1975 during assembly program, officers of the [illegible]ppomattox County High School were installed for the [illegible]chool year.

[illegible]CA officers, shown left to right, are Bill Shorter, [illegible]dney, Herbert Pankey, Dawn Rush, Marvin Watson, [illegible] president and installing officer, Carla Lipford, Sheila [illegible] Tamie Davis.

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[illegible] Mrs. Ray Page [illegible] week end in [illegible]mth his sister, Mrs. [illegible]son.

[illegible] Mrs. Marshall [illegible]Mr. and Mrs. Keith [illegible]ed in the home of [illegible]s. Graydon Martin [illegible] Mrs. Hubbard [illegible] afternoon.

[illegible] the home of Mrs. [illegible]ttner and Ethel on [illegible]rs. Mr. and Mrs. [illegible]vington and Jane [illegible] and Mrs. Allen [illegible] and Mrs. Binford [illegible]s. Maude Phelps, [illegible] Phelps and Mrs. [illegible] and baby.

[illegible]W. of Mt. Comfort [illegible] meet at the church [illegible] 5 at 6 o'clock.

[illegible] Mrs. Clarke Moore, [illegible]s. Jimmy Marshall [illegible] Mr. and Mrs. Clark [illegible] Dora Coleman and [illegible]rt Richardson at[illegible] Baccalaureate Ser[illegible] Farmville United [illegible] Church Sunday [illegible] Doug Marshall will [illegible] from the Prince [illegible] Academy on June 6.

[illegible]ratulations to all of our [illegible] and we wish that [illegible] brings life's vry [illegible] finest things.

[illegible] to report Mr. Bob [illegible] back in the Virignia [illegible] Hospital. We wish for [illegible] fast recovery.

[illegible] dinner guests of Mr. [illegible] Marshall Martin were [illegible] Mrs. Keith Martin. [illegible] guests in the Martin [illegible] Mr. and Mrs. Riley [illegible] and Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Other visitors [illegible] in the Martin home [illegible] Gordon Martin and [illegible]

[illegible] guests on Sunday of [illegible] Tom Moore were [illegible] Mrs. Eddie Moore, [illegible] and Tina. Afternoon [illegible] in the Moore home [illegible] Mr. and Mrs. Herbert [illegible] and Wayne of Madison [illegible] and Mrs. Clarence [illegible] Mr. and Mrs. John [illegible] Moore of Lynchburg. [illegible] Hoover Moore was [illegible] guest in the Moore [illegible] Sunday night.

[illegible] hear Mr. Jutson [illegible] the hospital. We [illegible] speedy recovery.

Pamplin

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Davis, of Bedford, visited his mother, Mrs. Richard Davis, and Mr. and Mrs. Junius Davis last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Annier of Sylvia, Kansas have arrived to spend a month with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Book.

Mr. and Mrs. James L. Richardson returned home last week after a 10-day visit with their son-in-law and daughter, Dr. and Mrs. Lorie Moore and family, in Washington, D.C.

Mrs. Wilbert Campbell of Tye River, spent last week end with her son and daughter-in-law, Rev. and Mrs. John P. Campbell and family.

The Pamplin Rurtian Club met last Tuesday night in the Educational Building of The Pamplin United Methodist Church with members of the Homemakers' Extension Club serving dinner. Mr. John Steedly of Virginia Fiber Corp., Gladstone, was the guest speaker. He explained the plant set up and operation.

The Senior Citizens of this community are invited to The Pamplin United Methodist Church Saturday, June 7 at 7:30 p.m. Mr. A. L. Akers, State Director of the A.A.R.P. and Mr. Willie Watson, Farmville, will assist in forming the chapter.

Mr. and Mrs. Berlin Cobb, of Maryland, spent last week end with his mother, Mrs. J. B. Cobb, Darlington Heights.

Mrs. Woodrow Carson, Prospect, Mrs. Donald Jones, South Boston, and Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Henry, Richmond, have returned home after spending two weeks visiting Captain Bill Henry and family, stationed in Honolulu.

WEEK END REVIVAL AT CHURCH OF GOD

Week end revival is set for June 6-8 at the Church of God of Prophecy located on Linden Street.

Services will begin at 7:30 p.m. nightly, with special singing each night.

National Evangelist Phillip Taylor will be speaking on the subject, "The Different Signs Dealing with the Coming of the Lord."

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